

## Elinor Wonders Why Characters

### Mains

- Elinor
  - o We would like to see more Elinor
  - o We only see one note from her
    - She is a very positive character; can we give Elinor some shortcomings?
    - Elinor could be very focused
      - She is unwilling to move on from things when she doesn't have the answer
    - She could ask too many questions
  - o Would be good to have her having the problem
    - Or we have to push her curiosity
  - o We could leave her alone sometimes
    - See how she reacts to things on her own
  - o Or push her in new directions
  - o Sometimes she comes off as very naïve and other times more precocious very knowledgeable and mature. We like when she acts like a regular kid, which is relatable to the kids at home.
  - o Also she can make jokes and be FUNNY!
- Olive
  - o She loves bananas
  - o Also, need to think about her catchphrase
    - "I like that word"
    - "I read that in a book"
  - o Olive can read books, her bookishness makes her cool,
    - Several examples of this throughout the series
  - o Olive is physically more adept than the others – can ride a bike and roller-skate
  - o She often puts Ari in her place in a fun-loving way
  - o Olive can have funny lines too!! Her science theories can be hilarious and kid-like
  - o She can be very naïve when she's really into something, like most kids
  - o She has a soft spot for the environment and nature.
- Ari
  - o Only Ari has siblings (Baby Miri)
  - o Ari is not complicated
    - He's physical and funny
    - He knows what he likes
    - Adventurous
    - Ridiculous at times

## Secondary Characters

- Koa Koala
  - o Laid back surfer koala
  - o Funny!
  - o Deep thinker
  - o Very dry, he takes a lot of pauses and beats.
- Sally Beaver
  - o Timid, outwardly, but inside she's a big maker of things
  - o Could be a little bit younger than Elinor,
  - o Doesn't know as much as other kids sometimes
  - o Loves to make things.
- Tito Mouse
  - o Overactive kid in class
  - o Easily excited
- Silas Cheetah
  - o Shy and fast
- Goat Twins
  - o Odd
  - o A little bit of know-it-alls
  - o They always finish each other's sentences
  - o Energetic
- Camilla Camel
  - o Flamboyant and dramatic
  - o The actor of the group
  - o Needs attention
  - o Has a chip on her shoulder, or since she's a camel, a hump on her shoulder
- Philbert Squirrel
  - o New kid (not anymore)
  - o Friendly, encouraging to others.
  - o Likes to be the audience
  - o Maybe a little older? 7? Not in their class
  - o Upspeaks sometimes – everything is a question?
  - o Very nimble
- Lola Koala
  - o Koa's sister, age 12
  - o Great roller-skater.

- Cool
- Olive looks up to her
- Has older kid wisdom
- Miri Bat
  - Ari's little sister
  - Happy active baby
  - About 10 months old
  - Rug Rat
  - Pre-verbal
  - Adores Ari
  - Has an infectious laugh
- Mehti Fox
  - Not developed yet
  - North Africa Desert Fox
  - Could be culturally different than the other characters
    - Maybe he could just have moved in from out of town
  - Could be a "new kid"

Adults:

Ranger Rabbit

- Great Mom, gets up at night to explore
- Busy professional, is in charge of the Park
- Great sense of humour
- Knows a lot about nature, part of her job
- Let's the kids make their own mistakes

Mr. Rabbit

- Loves to nap
- Tells Dad jokes
- Loves being a Dad
- Not sure about his profession, stay at home Dad? Finding himself? He makes nature comic books?

BiBi

- Mr. Rabbit's Mom
- Loves science, taught Elinor her catchphrases.
- Retired scientist?
- Lives in the desert

BaBa

- Elinor's Grandfather

- Mr. Rabbit's Dad
- Lives in the desert with BiBi

Olive's Mother (name? Mz. Elephant?)

- Could be a single Mom (so that's why we don't call her Mrs.?)
- Can she be a hippy? She attended Woodstock?
- Obsessed with horoscopes?

Mr. Bat

- Ari and Miri's Dad
- Helpful nice Dad
- Let's Ari not take a bath – smart enough to know sometimes you have to let kids make their own mistakes

Mrs. Bat.

- Ari and Miri's Mom
- Likes to read, can use a break maybe?
- Encourages Ari to play with his sister

- Mz. Mole

- Enthusiastic,
- Hilarious,
- Independent, encourages kids to be the same
- Likes to play gentle jokes on her class,
- Loves teaching
- GREAT voice actor
- Wears glasses
- Lives Underground

- Mrs. Gorilla.

- Has a fruit/veggie cart. Makes her own ketchup
- Is she a bit crusty? What's she like personality-wise?
- She can be impatient or stubborn

- Mrs. Beaver

- Sally's Mom
- In charge of construction in Animal Town
- Works for Ranger Rabbit
- VERY busy, could be a "distracted" parent
- Often gets Sally to help out (which she loves)

- Mr. Beaver

- Sally's Dad

- Runs paper mill
  - Loves wood chips.
  - Very very busy
- Mr. Dog
  - Ari's neighbor
  - Bachelor?
  - Friendly guy, expressive ears
  - Likes things put in their place
- Joe Mouse (Deputy Mouse)
  - Ranger Rabbit's Deputy
  - Gruff and sometimes grumpy.
  - He cares about the community.
  - Often runs out of patience with the town animals.
- Gee-Raff
  - Joe's partner
  - Ms. Raffe's neck is so long, we often only hear what she says from above off-screen.
  - Ranger's Office's number cruncher (she knows all of the town's statistics).
  - Has a dry sense of humor. Funny would like to see more of her.
- Farmer Bear
  - Farmer!
  - Also manages the forest, lumber yard, taps maple trees
  - Sometimes has parties and festivals on her Farm (Tomato Fest, Maple Fest)
- Mr. Racoon
  - Runs the bakery
  - Likes to advertise
- Mr. Hippo
  - Runs the general store
  - Maybe has a swimming hole in his living room?